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EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTE (by KB8NW): There will "NOT" be an OPDX bulletin for February 7th and 14th. I know, you heard this before, but it is true this time. My father is very ill, and I will be flying to Las Vegas next weekend to see him and help him any way I can. PLEASE continue to send your DX info to me. I will have E-mail access there if someone really needs to get in touch with me. Thanks for your understanding... 73 de Tedd

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 23rd/January, through Sunday, 30th/January there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, T30, T5, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9L, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZK1/s, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

8P, BARBADOS (Update). Tom, W2SC, will be active as **8P9JG** from **February 15-21st**. Activity will be CW only on non-WARC bands. He will also be active as **8P5A** in the **ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th)** as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NN1N.

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Ten operators from the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club (LARC) plan to be active from **Trinidad Island (SA-009)** between **February 23rd and March 2nd**. Operators mentioned are: DD8ZX, DG3FK, DH6ICE, DJ3FK, DJ9RB, DK7LX, DK7PE, DK7TF, DL1FDS and DL4FP. At least two stations will be active on 160-10 meters, CW, SSB and DIGITAL. QSL via DJ3FK. Logs will be available online AFTER the operation. For more info, please visit the Web page at: <http://www.dj3fk.com>.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Alan/G3XAQ and Steve/G4EDG, will be active as **C56C now through February 10th**. The operation will be CW only on HF, using 100w rigs and wire antennas. QSL via G3SWH.

CN2, MOROCCO (Correction). Jim, K7EJ, will be active from here starting **February 22nd**. While there, he is expected to be active as **CN2R** (not CN2J as mentioned in [OPDX.695](#)) in three different contests. Look for him to be in the **CQ WW 160mSSB Contest (February 26-27th)** as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. Also, look for him to be in the **ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th)** and **CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th)** as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry in both contests. Look for activity outside the contests on the WARC bands. QSL via W7EJ.

"DAYTON HAMVENTION® NEWS" (Correction: SWODXA DX DINNER). Jay, K4ZLE, informs OPDX that he provided the wrong ticket price for the SouthWest Ohio DX Association 20th annual DX Dinner to be held in conjunction with the 2005 Dayton HamVention®. The dinner will be Friday evening, 20th May, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, located in Dayton city center. Tickets are 32.00 USD per meal (not 34.00 USD as mentioned in [OPDX.695](#)), payable in U.S. funds, and may be ordered from Jay Slough, K4ZLE, at his CBA. They will attempt to honor group seating requests when tickets are ordered together. There are eight seats per table and seating is limited. Program details will be announced as soon as they are finalized. This is an excellent opportunity to meet/renew acquaintances with some of the ops you work and compete against away from the hustle and bustle of HamVention® itself. Further information may be obtained from Jay at: k4zle at arrl dot net.

DXCC NEWS.....

- Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, informs OPDX that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit: **R1MVI** - Malyj Vysotskij Island, September 10-13, 2004
- **DXCC LISTINGS NOW AVAILABLE ON THE ARRL WEB SITE:** According to the "ARRL Letter" this week: The ARRL Web site now features up-to-date listings of DXCC awards earned. The new system shows every issued DXCC award known to ARRL's computerized DXCC system with the exception of individual standings for 5BDXCC. ARRL Membership Services Manager Wayne Mills, N7NG, says the Web site listing is even more complete than the DXCC Yearbook ever was, since the printed list did not list inactive band-accounts for the previous year. "This will list everything and everybody," Mills emphasized. "The new system makes available a separate listing for each DXCC award type--band or mode." Even more important, Mills notes, is that it essentially renders obsolete the manually generated monthly and yearly reports. "Under the new system, DXCC listings will be updated daily," he emphasized. The DXCC standings of all ARRL members will remain in dark type. Call signs of non-members who have not submitted credits for 10 years or more are in grayed-out type. Each listing by band or mode is complete in a separate Adobe PDF file. The largest listing (DXCC Mixed) now

runs to more than 50 pages, but the size of the PDF file is only about 150 kbytes because of file compression. Printing format options include US letter-sized or ISO A4 paper. The DXCC listings can be found at: <http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/#listings>.

DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS. Eddie, DU1EV, informs OPDX that Nicodemus/DU1JXP, Mike/DU1MHX, Ed/4F1OZ, Gilbert/4F2KWT, Bebe/4F3BA and himself will be active on the Philippine side of the Spratly Island Group (**Kalayaan Island**) from **January to May** under the callsign **DX0K**. According to Eddie, look for Gilbert, 4F2KWT, to be active first from here. By the time you read this, he should be on the air and be active by himself for about a month. Towards the end of March, 2 to 3 other operators are expected to join 4F2KWT for around three weeks. Eddie mentions that they might pack up early after two weeks, or towards the tail end of April, as the typhoon season will be about to set in and they will be leaving there by boat. Activity is planned for all bands 160-6 meters including the WARC bands, mostly on CW and SSB. During March they "just might" work some digital modes like RTTY and SSTV. Eddie also mentions that this is a Hamcation/ DXpedition, and these are their tentative plans. A Web page is in the planning stage, and the URL is forthcoming. QSL Manager is 4F2KWT.

EP, IRAN. Hamid, **EP4HR**, states he will be on the lower bands every day (except Tuesdays and Fridays) from 0215-0230z on CW or PSK31. He will start on 160 then move to 80 and 40 meters. QSNs show him on 40 meters PSK31 on 7035 kHz as late as 0115z. Also, watch 14070 kHz on PSK31 between 1300-1630z. QSL via I2MQP.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Pierre/F6FXS and his XYL, Marie, will once again be vacationing on the main Island of Guadeloupe (**NA-102**, DIFO FG001) from **March 4-22nd**. Pierre will be active as **FG/F6FXS**, and his activity will be CW only on 40-10 meters. During his holiday style DXpedition, he will use a FT817 and wires. Suggested frequencies are: 7013, 10115, 14045, 18083, 21045, 24903 and 28045 kHz. QSL direct (CBA) or via the bureau.

FR, REUNION ISLAND (Also 3B8). Didier, F5TNI, will be active as **FR/F5TNI** from **February 2-21st**. Activity will be mostly on CW with a little RTTY and possibly PSK. QSL via his home callsign; Bureau is "OK". After this operation, he will be active from **Mauritius** for one week as **3B8/F5TNI**.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **OC-NEW.** Kadek, YB9BU, will be active as **YB7M** from a new IOTA in the Laut Kecil Island Group from **March 9-14th**. Activity will be from the **Moresses Island** (Marabatua Island). QSL via YB9BU.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Bill, WB5ZAM, will once again be active from here for 2 weeks. Look for him to sign **J6/WB5ZAM** from **March 20th through April 3rd**. Bill states that he is planning to operate on HF, "mostly CW around a laid back schedule." QSL via his home callsign.

J7, DOMINICA. Bob, WB2NVR, reports that plans are set for a trip to J7-land for the **CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th)** by the members of the RZS Amateur Radio Club (W2RZS). Operators/members Bob/WB2NVR, Mike/WA2VQW, Bob/N2DVQ and Adam/N2DHH will be here between **March 23-29th** and will be active as **J75RZ**. QSL via W2RZS (direct or by the bureau and the LOTW).

KH5, PALMYRA. Several sources are reporting that Bev, AH6NF, is expected to be here for work between **February 3-18th**. She will sign **AH6NF/KH5** and activity will be limited to spare time. Operations will be on 40-10 meters on SSB with some PSK. QSL via her home callsign.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY.....

- **IF9/IT9MRM - February 1st** (0700-1600z). Reference numbers: ARLHS ITA-035, WLOTA LH 1545 and IOTA **EU-054**. QSL via IT9MRM.
- **DL2JIL and DL2JIM - March 12-15th**. Reference numbers: ARLHS FED-236 (FED-092 & FED-093 possible).
- **AL5A/NH2 - March 18-20th**. Reference numbers: WLOTA LH0064 and IOTA **OC-026**. QSL via JH0MGJ.
- **SV1QN/8, SV1AIN/8, SV1EQU/8, SV1GYG/8 and SW1GYN/8 - March 24-28th**. Reference numbers: WLOTA LH2002 and IOTA **EU-060**.
- **K6P - February 1-7th**. The Naval Postgraduate School ARC (K6LY) will activate **Point Pinos Lighthouse** (ARLHS USA-634) to celebrate the **150th anniversary** of the lighthouse. Look for special callsign (**K6P**) to be activated on 7270, 14270, 21370 and 28370 kHz (+/- QRM). QSL direct to WC6DX: G.Costello, P.O. Box 1332, Monterey, CA 93942, USA.

LU3, ARGENTINA. The Almirante Brown Radio Club (**LU3DY**) will be active during the next **ARRL DX CW Contest** in celebration of their **40th anniversary** as a first Multi-Single operation. It was reported that LU1DAY (SK) originally hosted that operation in 1965, and the operators were LU8DQ (SK), LU8DLK (now LU8DK) and LU2DKG (now LU1DZ). The operators for their 40th anniversary operation will be LU1DZ, LU8DK, LU6EF, LU6UO, LW2DX, LU7EE, LU3XQ, LU1EWL, LU5DX, LU7YS, LU5BB, LU5FZ, LU2AS, LU5FF and LU2FLN. All QSL cards will go out directly, in advance, to the W and VE Bureaus.

MDXC MEMBERS TROPHY. The **Mediterraneo DX Club** is celebrating its growth by organizing the club's first "MDXC Members Trophy", which will take place next weekend on February 4-6th. The MDXC now has reached 200 members. Look for special activity by the MDXC HQ station IR8M as well as several other special event stations to participate in this event. More details are available on the MDXC Web at: <http://www.mdxc.org/>. Also, visit: <http://www.mdxc.org/trophy2005.asp>.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Pertti, OH3LQK/OH7WW, informs OPDX that a group of KuDXC members will be active from **Kumlinge**, Aland Islands, **February 9-15th**. Their main target is to run the **CQ WPX RTTY Contest** in the Multi-Op category on **February 12-13th**. They will use the callsign **OH0W**. QSL is "OK" via the bureau via OH3LQK.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES (Update/Contests). Geoff, W0CG (PJ2DX), presently in Curacao, informs OPDX of the following **PJ2T** contest activities. For the **ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th)**, the PJ2T operators will be Dan/N1ZZ, Tom/W8TK, Geoff/W0CG, Larry/N7DD, Noel/W9EFL, Charles/WA9S, Steve/N8BJQ and Alex/RA1AIP. They will try to defend their last year's # 1 World win as a Multi-2 entry. Geoff states, "It will be a special privilege to have Alex, RA1AIP, one of the RU1A contest station ops with us in Curacao." Operators will be active on 160-6 meters CW/SSB, ± the week of the contest itself. For **ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th)**, PJ2T operators will be Jerry/WB9Z, Tom/AE9B,

Martin/NW0L, Jeff/K8ND and Geoff/W0CG. They will be going for what would be their third straight "World # 1" title as a Multi/2. Again, operators will be active on 160-6 meters CW/SSB, ± the week of the contest itself. QSL via N9AG. Visit the PJ2T Web page at: <http://www.pj2t.org>

PJ4, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Just a reminder to look for Dr. Rick, NE8Z, to be active as **PJ4/NE8Z** from the island of **Bonaire (IOTA SA-006)**, **February 4-13th**. Activity will be mostly CW and SSB on the WARC bands and 6 meters. QSL via NE8Z: Dr. Rick Dorsch, P.O. Box 616, Hamburg, MI 48139 USA.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- QSL **A61AJ** (active during last weekend's contest) to the following QSL Managers: North/Central/South American, Caribbean, U.S. possessions via K2UO The rest of the world via DJ2MX.
- Raul, **CO8ZZ**, was active during last weekend's contest. QSL via DK1WI.
- QSL INFO FOR CT3 OPERATIONS IN THE 2005 CQWW 160M CW CONTEST.
 - **CT9M** - Operators: VE3NZ, VE3NE, HA5JI and CT1BOH. QSL via CS3MAD
 - or CT3EE.
 - **CT9C** - Operators were an OK Team. QSL via OK5DX
 - **CQ3A** - Operator was OH2PM. QSL via home callsign.
- QSL **IH9GPI** via the Bureau. Activity was by Stefano, IK2HKT, from Pantelleria Island (Africa Italy, AF-018) during last weekend's CQ WW 160m CW Contest.
- QSL **YE0X** via the Bureau. Activity was by Stan, YB0AJR (OK1JR), from Jawa Island (OC-021) during last weekend's CQ WW DX 160M CW Contest.

S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE. Operators Jose/CT1APE, Tony/CT1FFU and Filipe/CT2GLO will be active from the **Ilheu das Rolas (AF-023)**, **February 20-26th**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. Their callsign will be **S92RI**.

SPECIAL ACTIVITY/EVENT. The International Pharmacists Ham Group will be celebrating its 3rd anniversary in more than 50 countries this **February and March**. Look for the following special callsigns to be on the air as follow:

- **3G4PHG** - Operator Hector/CE4ETZ, March 1-31st
- **3Z8PHG** - Operator Lukasz/SP8QED, March 1-31st
- **II0PHG** - Operator John/IK0AZG, March 17-27th
- **II1PHG** - Operator Rino/IZ1ASN, March 17-27th
- **II2PHG** - Operator Piero/IK2UVR, March 17-27th
- **II4PHG** - Operator Filippo/I4TDK, March 17-27th
- **II5PHG** - Operator Paolo/IK5ZTT, March 17-27th
- **II7PHG** - Operator Andrea/IZ7ECB, March 17-27th
- **TM1PHG** - Operators George/F5BKU and XYL Evelyne/F5RPB, March 14-28th
- **TM2PHG** - Operator Jean-Marc/F5SGI, March 14-28th
- **TM3PHG** - Operator Marc/5MXV, March 14-28th

For the three French callsigns, QSL ia Evelyne, F5RPB, either direct or via the French Ref-Bureau; all the others, by the operator's instructions. A multi-language Web page is available at: <http://www.malpensa.it/iphg/>

TS, TUNISIA (Special Prefixes). During the **2005 World Handball Championship** in Tunisia, the following Tunisian Scout ARS will be allowed to use the special callsigns **until February 6th**:

Tunisian ARS	Special Callsign	Bands of expected Activity
3V8ST	TS1WHC	20/15/12/10m
3V8CB	TS2WHC	80/40/17/10m
3V8SQ	TS3WHC	80/40/20/10m
3V8SF	TS4WHC	40/17/15/10m
3V8SM	TS5WHC	80/40/20/10m
3V8SJ	TS6WHC	20/15/10m
3V8SS	TS7WHC	80/20/12/10m

Activity will be on SSB, PSK and SSTV. QSL only via Tunisian QSL Bureau. Please, DO NOT send Green Stamps nor any other legal moneys in the envelopes to any Tunisian ARS; this is strictly forbidden. QSL via the buureau. Visit the following Web page at:
<http://www.tunisiahand2005.tn/>.

V5, NAMIBIA. Janusz/SP6IXF and Przemek/SP7VC will be active from here between **February 25th and March 11th**. They already have their airline tickets and visas and have applied for the callsigns **V51IXF** and **V51VC**, but they don't know if they will get these callsigns. Activity is expected on all bands 160-6 meters, but they will pay special attention to 160/80/40 meters. The equipment they will be taking is a FT-890, TS-50, IC-706 MKIIG and TS-2000; antennas - 3 element Mosley for 20/15/10 meters, 2 element for 17/12 meters and wire antennas for the other bands. They also plan to take a 2 element 40m Yagi, but it depends on the weight. They will also participate in the **CQ WW 160 SSB Contest** and the **ARRL DX SSB Contest**. They will also have a Web page up, and it will have an online log search on it after their DXpedition. The URL address is forthcoming. LAST MINUTE ADDITION: Visit the following Web page for more info and updates at:
<http://www.sp5zcc.waw.pl/dxpeditions/v5/en/index.php>.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. A JA group will be heading to the Pacific islands for their DX-vacation. Activity will be from **Majuro Atoll (OC-029)** between **March 18-28th**. Operators mentioned are: Shigeo/JA1JQY (V73JY), Hisashi/ JA1KJW (V73KJ), Yasumasa/JA1HEE (V73HE) and JI1FPO (V73OP). The team will do their best to make many QSOs with USA East Coast and EU stations on 160/80 meters. Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY (if possible), using the following suggested frequencies:

- **CW** - 1822, 3507, 7007, 10107, 14007, 18077, 21007, 24897 and 28007
- **SSB** - 3798, 7080, 14170, 18130, 21270, 24940 and 28470 kHz

QSL via operator's instructions; it may be their home callsign. PLEASE NOTE that this is not a big expedition. All operators will use their own transceivers, and the antennas will be wire based. It was also mentioned that there is a peculiar noise on the island, and operators may have a hard time in the reception of your signals. If so, please be patient during their operation.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Art, N2NB, will be active as **VP2MDY** from **February 24th through March 8th**. Activity will be on all bands 160-6 meters, including PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

VU4 NEWS (QSLing and Presentations). The following is via Charles, K4VUD. QSLING THE VU4 OPERATION. Sara (or Saraha), VU3RSB, reports that the VU4 QSL requests are arriving "OK" at the NIAR headquarters with no tampering evident. He encourages all to QSL direct there as per the NIAR Web site address. He also notes that a donor list, a list of "QSLs Received" and other information will appear on the NIAR Web site as soon as the limited staff there can type it all in. Mr. Sara was an original member of the "first team" of operators there and a major helper in the emergency communications, too. To date, there is only ONE QSL address for the VU4RBI and VU4NRO 2004 operations and that is to NIAR in Hyderabad, India. The NIAR address is:

National Institute of Amateur Radio
Rajbhavan Road, Somajiguda
Hyderabad - 500 082
India

Charles Harpole, K4VUD (VU3CHE), states, "The extensive interest in VU4 has resulted in my accepting these invitations to speak about the DXpedition and the following emergency activities (note that Bharathi, VU2RBI, or other India hams may also appear at these and other events):

- Feb. 5th, DERA seminar on emergencies, Rosen Center, Orlando.
- Feb 8th, St. Augustine, Fla. radio club.
- Feb. 11-13th, Orlando HamCation.
- April 15-17th, Visalia DX Bash.
- May 20-22nd, Dayton Hamvention (still need a room in Crowne Plaza).
- June 3-5th, HamCom in Arlington, TX.
- August 6th, Austin, TX Hamfest.
- Sept. 16-18th, W9DXCC Bash nr Chicago.

Thanks for the interest and the invitations. I look forward to seeing lots of DXers eyeball in the coming months. 73, Charles Harpole"

ZK1, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Remember to look for Magnus/SM6WET (ZK1WET), Tomas/SM6XMY (ZK1XMY), Tim/ZK1SDE and Jed/ZK1SDZ to be active from **Aitutaki (OC-083)** between **January 31st and February 17th**. They will make a side trip to **North Cook Island** on **February 17th** for 7 days and then return to Aitutaki for a several day before going home. For more details, please refer to [OPDX.688](#) and [OPDX.694](#).

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